



# *The Veterans' Six*

*The LHC Veterans Treatment Court Monthly  
Newsletter dedicated to having the Six of every  
Justice Involved Veteran*

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# Veterans Outreach

## LHC Veterans

April 2016



UNDER CONSTRUCTION

As you may have noticed from the previous page, your LHC Veterans Treatment Court Monthly Newsletter has undergone a few changes.

The goal of this newsletter has always been to keep our Court's participants and Graduates up-to-date with what's going on in the Veterans Treatment Court. The changes we've made to this month's edition reflect our dedication to providing you with the best newsletter possible.

Going forward, our goal is to expand this newsletter's reach even further into the community, so that it may continue raising awareness of the Veterans Treatment Court and local Veterans organizations.

It's through change that we grow and develop—and we're very excited about where these changes may lead!



# Upcoming Veteran Court Events

## April Graduation

Congratulations Graduates!

Five of our Justice Involved Veterans will be graduating on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016. We are very proud of their accomplishments and are excited for the future that awaits them.



## Monolith Garden Trail Hike

Hiking builds bonds and strengthens teamwork—which is why the Lake Havasu City Veterans Treatment Court loves to hike as a group. This month's group hike will take place on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Monolith Garden Trail, located in Kingman. Everyone is to meet at the Court at 8am; transportation and lunch will be provided.

\*This hike is of moderate hiking difficulty and is only open to Veterans who are physically capable.

# Local Veteran Events



INTERAGENCY

COUNCIL

Hope Help Caring

"Helping People Help Themselves"

(928) 453-5800

Interagency Council is hosting an Open House in Lake Havasu City on April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016, from 5-7PM, located at 1940 Mesquite Ave.

Interagency Council offers Victim programs, Youth programs, Court Ordered Treatment programs, as well as peer support services.



Pictured: Frank Blain of the Marine Corps League accepting a donation from Cindy Ritter of Military Moms.

Through the assistance of the Marine Corps League, the Veterans Treatment Court was able to establish a fund to provide drug testing to Veterans who would otherwise not be able to afford this service.

We would like to thank the multiple agencies and the members of the Veterans Resource Team who have donated to the sobriety of these Justice Involved Veterans since August 2015.

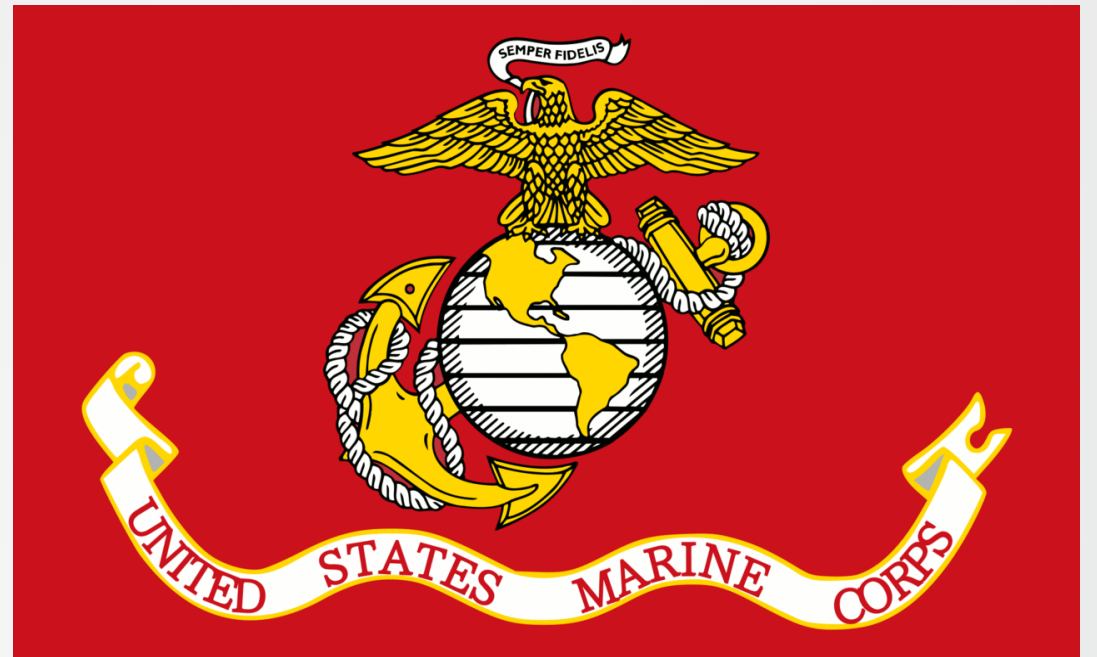


# The Graduate Review Board

## Graduate

Michael O'Rourke

## Branch of Service



## VTC Graduation Date

July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015

## VTC Experience:

“One thing the program did for me is bring a brand new perspective on all the service organizations available to Veterans. They donate so much time to help our local Veterans. This program really enlightened me and I am grateful to be a part of it. I thank the Mayor for seeing the need to start the program.

“The major driving force behind the success of our Veterans Court is Judge K. He provides support to assist Veterans with changing their lives. He lays out a path for every Veteran to follow and has so much patience even when they stray. This program truly opens doors to each participant.

“After Graduating in July, I became a Mentor. Being a Mentor to a fellow Veteran is enjoyable. We may have come from different war eras (Vietnam and OIF) but there is a comraderie there. Coming out of the Veterans Treatment Court, this was my way to give back and see others succeed.”



# Benefits and Service Sector

## Spotlight On:

### The Domiciliary Care Program

What exactly *is* the Domiciliary Care Program? Sometimes just referred to around here as the *Dom*, the Domiciliary Care Program is a free residential rehabilitation center that offers comprehensive treatment services to all VA eligible Veterans.

The *Dom* was originally created in the 1860s to provide housing and other services for disabled Civil War soldiers (this also makes the *Dom* the oldest health care program provided by the VA). Over the years the *Dom* grew, expanding its services to better enable it to serve a larger variety of Veterans.

The *Dom*'s main purpose is to:

- “Address goals of rehabilitation, recovery, health maintenance, improved quality of life and community integration”
- Provide “specific treatment of medical conditions, mental illness, addictive disorders, and homelessness”

If you or any VA eligible Veteran that you know is in need of any of these services, you may contact the Prescott Domiciliary Care Program at: 928-445-4860 ext. 6333 or ext. 6695.



# This Month in U.S. Military History

## *The Original Midnight Riders*



**April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1775:** “Paul Revere and William Dawes begin their famous ‘midnight ride’ from Boston to Lexington, MA, where they link-up with Samuel Prescott, who rides on to Concord. All three are sounding the alarm—warning town leaders and alerting the militia—that nearly 1,000 British infantrymen, grenadiers, and Royal Marines are advancing from Boston.”

Source: [http://victoryinstitute.net/history/index.php?title=Today\\_in\\_US\\_Military\\_History](http://victoryinstitute.net/history/index.php?title=Today_in_US_Military_History)



**April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1777:** Called “the female Paul Revere,” Sybil Ludington, “16 years old, volunteered to warn the countryside of the attack [by the British] and to alert the militia troops to muster at Ludington's.

“She traveled some 40 miles through the towns of Carmel, Mahopac, and Stormville, in the

middle of the night, in a rainstorm, on muddy roads, shouting that the British were burning Danbury and calling out the militia to assemble at Ludington's. When Sybil Ludington returned home, most of the militia troops were ready to march to confront the British.

“The 400-some troops were not able to save the supplies and the town at Danbury -- the British seized or destroyed food and munitions and burned the town -- but they were able to stop the British advance and push them back to their boats, in the Battle of Ridgefield.”

Source: <http://womenshistory.about.com/od/waramrevolution/p/ludington Ride.htm>



# Bring a Family Member or Friend to Veterans Court



Family and Friends are always welcome at our Veterans Treatment Court Hearings. We firmly believe it is their involvement that helps with the recovery process.

To encourage Family and Friends involvement, for every one person a Justice Involved Veteran brings to court, they will receive a ticket to be placed into a raffle. Each Vet Court, we will draw a name and the Veteran picked will receive a gift.

A small token for the big support you will receive!



# Judge K's Corner



“With each graduation that passes, I am awed by our Veterans’ ability to not only overcome their obstacles, but to surpass the program’s goals. Each Veteran that graduates is a testament to what can be achieved through hard work and dedication.”

-Judge Kalauli

## VTC Wants Your Help!!

Have you served in the Military?  
Do you have a passion for helping  
fellow Veterans?



We want **YOU** to be involved in our  
LHC Veterans Treatment Court  
Mentor Program!!!

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